

**REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM
10 EAST CHURCH STREET; BETHLEHEM, PA 18018**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2023 - 5:00 PM
TOWN HALL**

AGENDA

- A. CASH REPORTS
 - 1. Month Ended June 30, 2023
 - 2. Month Ended July 31, 2023

- B. COURTESY OF THE FLOOR

- C. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

- D. ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION
 - 1. **REAFFIRM EMAIL VOTE – AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT AGREEMENT** – The RDA Board has been asked to reaffirm its email vote involving Amendment No. 2 to the Special Event Permit Agreement for Handwerkplatz and Liederplatz. This amendment removes The Moon Bounce Guys, LLC as a party to the agreement and updates and identifies AKM Entertainment, LLC as the other Permittee vendor. Reaffirming the email vote should be done via motion as has occurred in the past with similar situations.

 - 2. **RESOLUTION NUMBER 1504 – KEYSTONE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM – PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT GRANT** – The RDA Board has been asked to review and consider for approval Resolution Number 1504 which authorizes the RDA to submit an application for a Public Improvement Grant through the Keystone Communities program. The grant funds are being requested for renovations of the blight certified property located at 401-403 and 405 East Fourth Street.

- E. GENERAL DISCUSSION
 - 1. **MARTIN TOWER – DETERIORATED AREA**

- F. ADJOURNMENT

**AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT AGREEMENT FOR
HANDWERKPLATZ AND LIEDERPLATZ**

PREMISES:	Record Owner	N.C. Tax Parcel Identifier
	Redevelopment Authority	P6NW3B 1 1 0204E
	Redevelopment Authority	P6NW3B 1 2 0204E
	City of Bethlehem	P6NW3B 1 3 0204E
	City of Bethlehem	P6NW3B 1 4 0204E
	City of Bethlehem	P6NW3B 1 5 0204E
	City of Bethlehem	P6NW3B 1 6 0204E
	City of Bethlehem	P6NW3B 3 1 0204E
	Redevelopment Authority	P6NE1D 10 4 0204E
PURPOSE:	Carnival Ride and inflatable bounce attractions for Musikfest 2023 and 2024; and Use of Redevelopment Authority owned Parcel located in Sun Inn Courtyard	
DURATION DATES:	August 4, 2023 through August 13, 2023 August 2, 2024 through August 11, 2024	

THIS AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT AGREEMENT is agreed upon and issued as of the _____ day of _____, 2023, by and between

ARTSQUEST, a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with a registered address of 25 W. Third Street, Suite 300, Bethlehem, PA 18015-1238 (hereinafter referred to as the “Permittee”);

- AND -

AKM ENTERTAINMENT, LLC of 52 Londonderry Court, Cochranville, PA 19330 (hereinafter referred to as the “Permittee”);

- AND -

CITY OF BETHLEHEM, a municipal corporation being a City of the Third Class, subject to the Optional Third Class City Charter Law, organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, its constituent parts being split by law between Northampton County and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania with principal administrative offices at City Hall, 10 E. Church Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018 (hereinafter referred to as “CITY”).

- AND -

REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM, a municipal authority organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with

principal administrative offices at City Hall, 10 E. Church Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018 (hereinafter referred to as the "RDA").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Amendment No. 1 to Special Event Permit Agreement dated June 24, 2023, Permittee ArtsQuest's vendor, The Moon Bounce Guys, LLC, was removed as a party to the Special Event Permit Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Permittee ArtsQuest has advised the CITY that AKM Entertainment, LLC will be its new vendor and requested that the Special Event Permit Agreement be amended to add AKM Entertainment, LLC as the other Permittee under the Special Event Permit Agreement; and

WHEREAS, CITY and RDA desire to grant Permittee ArtsQuest's request to add AKM Entertainment, LLC as the other Permittee under the Special Event Permit Agreement; and

WHEREAS, as it relates to the Special Event Permit Agreement, as amended, the term "Permittee" shall be interpreted to mean both AKM Entertainment, LLC and ARTSQUEST unless the context clearly implies otherwise.

NOW THEREFORE, intending to be legally bound hereby, the parties agree as follows:

1. The above recitals are incorporated by reference in this Amendment.
2. The Special Event Permit Agreement is hereby amended to add AKM Entertainment, LLC as a party thereto as a Permittee.
3. All other terms and conditions contained in the Special Event Permit Agreement dated June 24, 2023 are hereby ratified and confirmed and shall remain in full force and effect.
4. This Amendment may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, and intending to be legally bound hereby, Permittee ArtsQuest, Permittee AKM Entertainment, LLC, the CITY and the RDA, have caused this Amendment No. 2 to Special Event Permit Agreement to be duly executed the day and year first above written.

ATTEST: PERMITTEE:
ARTSQUEST

Secretary/Witness

By: _____ (SEAL)
Name: _____
Title: _____

ATTEST:

PERMITTEE:
AKM ENTERTAINMENT, LLC

Secretary/Witness

By: _____ (SEAL)
Name: _____
Title: _____

ATTEST:

REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE
CITY OF BETHLEHEM

Heather Bambu-Weiss
Secretary

By: _____ (SEAL)
Tracy Oscavich,
Chairperson

ATTEST:

CITY OF BETHLEHEM

City Controller
Date:

By: _____ (SEAL)
J. William Reynolds
Mayor

The within Amendment No. 2 to Special Event Permit Agreement is certified to be needed, necessary and appropriate.

By: _____
Michael Alkhal, P.E.
City of Bethlehem Department Head

RESOLUTION NUMBER 1504

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (“PA DCED”) administers the Keystone Communities Program (the “Program”) to encourage the creation of public and private partnerships to support local initiatives such as growth and stability of neighborhoods and communities, social and economic diversity, and strong and secure quality of life;

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Bethlehem (“the RDA”) is a state incorporated government redevelopment authority with the powers vested by Pennsylvania Redevelopment Authority law;

WHEREAS, the RDA and City of Bethlehem (“the City”) have a strong working relationship toward meeting the national objective of blight removal;

WHEREAS, the RDA and City partnered on an eight-month planning process to develop a Blight Remediation and Mitigation Plan (“the Plan”) to address blighted properties and disinvested neighborhoods at risk of further decline with the City of Bethlehem;

WHEREAS, Section 4 of the Act of May 20, 1949, as amended, authorizes PA DCED to grant funds for housing development, redevelopment and the prevention and elimination of blight;

WHEREAS, the Program has a Public Improvement Grant to assist communities with development projects to help eliminate decline, provide gap financing as well as assist in emergency efforts to recover from a natural disaster;

WHEREAS, the Program has issued funding guidelines and is accepting competitive funding applications for the Public Improvements Grant program;

WHEREAS, the RDA desires to submit an application for a Public Improvements Grant, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, to be used for blight remediation as supported by the Blight Remediation and Mitigation Plan;

WHEREAS, the RDA has identified the City as a partner for the submission of this application as well as a partner toward meeting the national objective of blight removal.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Bethlehem that:

1. The Redevelopment Authority of the City of Bethlehem desires to submit an application to the Keystone Communities Program for a Public Improvements Grant, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, to be used for blight remediation as supported by the Blight Remediation and Mitigation Plan is hereby approved.
2. The Executive Director, on behalf of the Redevelopment Authority of the City of Bethlehem, is authorized to execute any and all documents as may be required as part of the Public Improvement Grant financing, including, but not limited to, the application process and award of any funds.